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1. THE COLOMBIAN GOVERNMENT IS INTERESTED IN HAVING SOME AMERICAN COMPANIES EXPLORE POTENTIAL URANIUM DEPOSITS IN COLOMBIA. SINCE COLOMBIA HAS SUFFICIENT HYDROELECTRIC POTENTIAL TO MEET ITS ELECTRIC ENERGY NEEDS WELL INTO THE NEXT CENTURY, ALL EXPLOITABLE URANIUM WILL BE EXPORTED.

THE GOC BELIEVES THAT BY THE COLOMBIA WOULD HAVE BEEN ABLE TO DEVELOP ITS NUCLEAR ENERGY CAPABILITY THE TECHNOLOGY WILL HAVE REDUCED OR ELIMINATED URANIUM'S ROLE. THEREFORE, THEY WANT THEIR URANIUM POTENTIAL RAPIDLY DEVELOPED AND EXPORTED

WHILE THE SCARCITY EXISTS. SO FAR, SOME 100 RADIO-METRIC ANOMALIES HAVE BEEN FOUND AND ARE BEING EXPLORED BY THE FRENCH, GERMANS, ITALIANS AND SPANISH. EXXON IS THE ONLY AMERICAN COMPANY AT PRESENT LOOKING FOR URANIUM IN COLOMBIA.

IN VIEW OF THE PRESENT CRITICAL URANIUM SHORTAGE AND SOARING PRICES, THE USDOC MAY WANT TO BRING THIS INFORMATION TO THE ATTENTION OF U.S. URANIUM CONSUMERS AND URANIUM MINING COMPANIES.

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